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Title: FATTY ACID ELONGASE (FAE) GENES AND THEIR UTILITY IN
INCREASING ERUCIC ACID AND OTHER VERY LONG-CHAIN
FATTY ACID PROPORTIONS IN SEED OIL
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper .

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures and a sequence submission in computer-readable format (.txt) is attached.